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## NEWS

## SENIORS HOUSING

# Lodge project receives \$1 million in HAPI grants

by Richard Westlund

The Didsbury Lodge project received an early Christmas present from the province as it received \$1 million in Healthy Aging Partnership Initiative (HAPI) funding Thursday last week.

A fax arrived at the office of Mountain View Senior's Housing announcing the awarding of the grant and the people around the project are ecstatic about what this means for the project.

"It means that now we can build in the spring," said CAO Doreen Wilson. "We knew that we were going to have to bor-

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- Doreen Wilson,  
Mountain View Seniors Housing CAO

row some money to get the lodge under way but would have to build part of the lodge now and part of the lodge later."

Wilson said now the whole lodge can be built at once.

"We had no idea we were go-

ing to get this money. We had applied for it and were suppose to hear a few weeks ago.

"This is the best Christmas present this organization could get.

The \$1 million in HAPI funding will comprise 25 per

cent of the entire project.

HAPI grants were issued by the Health Authority last year and the lodge received money to add 20 assisted living beds in the building.

While the money is a huge boost for the lodge, Wilson says the battle is far from over. Money will still have to be borrowed for the lodge and fund-raising will continue to keep that to a minimum.

Raising money for the lodge has been a challenge so far for Mountain View Senior's Housing. They were denied the use of casinos and lotteries to raise money for capital costs of the lodge.

They have been allowed to set up a second organization that can use that method to raise money for items that will go inside of the lodge.

About \$10,000 has been raised through private donations.

Currently there are over 50 people on a waiting list to get into the lodge which will undergo construction as early as this spring. The waiting list for all lodges in the County is close to 180.

Before the project starts to undergo its construction phase, input from the public and other lodges is being sought.

## SCHOOL BOARD

## Board presented with \$80 million audited financial statements

The Board of Chinook's Edge School Division received a short presentation of final audited financial statements and management letter for the 2000-2001 school year at its Dec. 12 board meeting.

Operating revenue rose in 2000-2001 from \$68 million to \$72 million. The increase of 6.3 per cent over the previous year resulted largely from the Alberta Initiative for School Improvement (\$1.3 million), Energy funding (\$500,000), Capital interest rebate (\$300,000) and increases in building quality restoration funding (\$600,000). The school board also received increased revenues because of a general rise in government grant rates coupled with a decline in funded enrolment along with minor fluctuations in other sources of revenue.

The instruction portion of total revenue is \$54.3 million. Over 95 per cent of that is spent at the school level.

"Included in this amount was \$400,000 in investment income that our board was able to set aside for staffing," said Ron Fisher, chairman of the Chinook's Edge Finance Committee. "The division used the money in the 2001-2002 school year to help schools that were facing enrolment pressures."

The division has realized an operating surplus of \$1.38 million for the 2000-2001 school year. However, with investment in capital assets, actual reserves declined by \$6,444. Included in capital spending were \$1.4 million for school buses and \$490,000 for the purchase of the administration building. Another \$300,000 in investment

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- Ron Fisher,  
Chair of the Chinook's Edge Finance Committee

income was set aside to renovate the administration building.

Capital spending continued at a high level in 2000-2001. Over \$10 million was spent on capital projects. This past year saw the completion of Fox Run School in Sylvan Lake and the beginning of major modernizations at Delburne,

Olds Elementary and Spruce View School. Funding is in place to begin construction on a new middle school in Innisfail.

"We are pleased to be in a stable financial position heading into these uncertain times," said Susan Roy, treasurer of the Chinook's Edge School Division.



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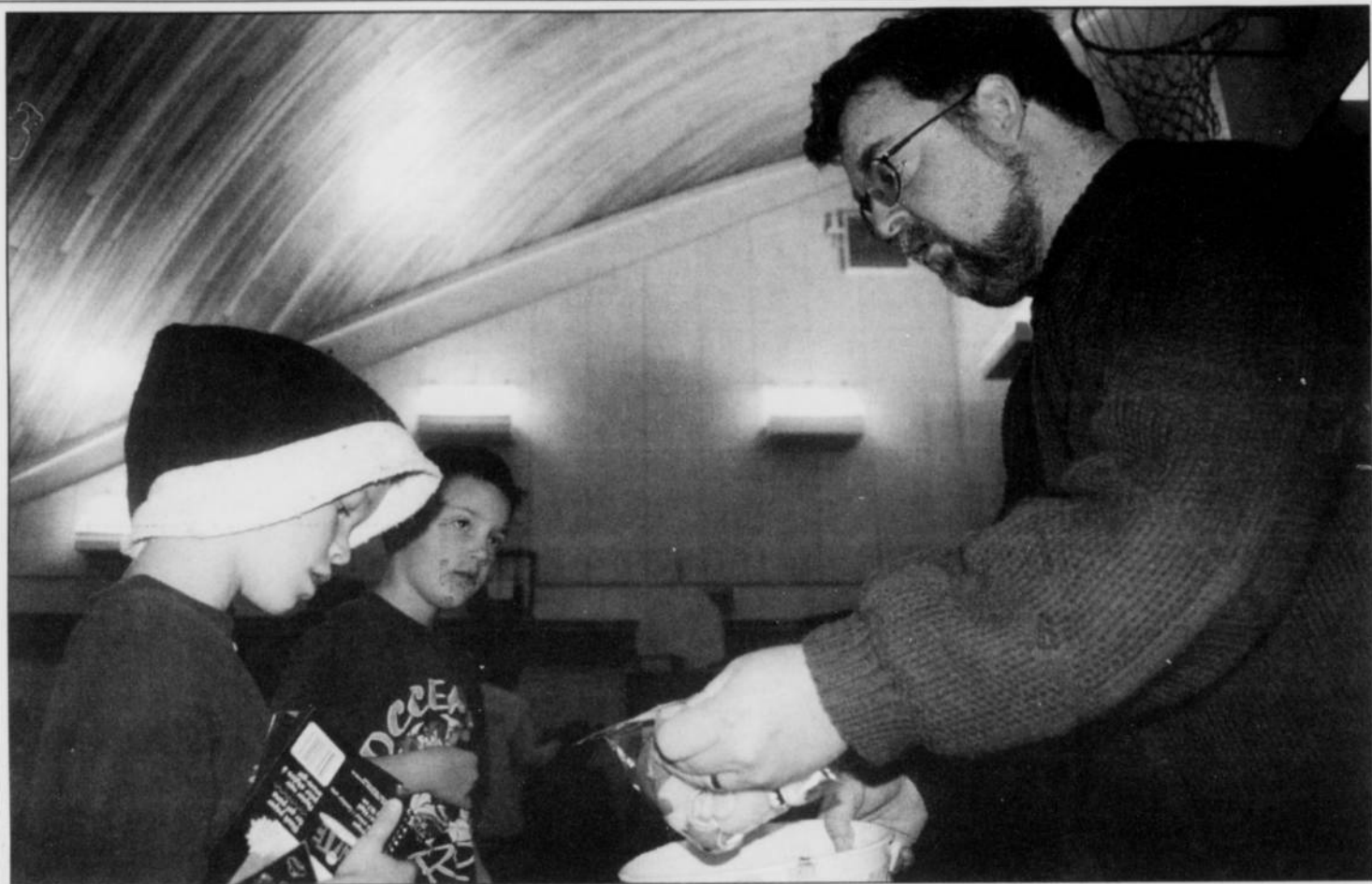
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### White Elephant Sale ...

Ross Ford Elementary School was able to raise over \$1,200 for the Christmas helpers through the White Elephant Sale they held last week. Here eight-year-old Eric Funk haggles over a bag of goodies with Ian Paton.

### BIDDING FOR GARBAGE

## Town must decide who will collect garbage

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury Town Council must decide who will get the contract to pick up garbage from the residential neighbourhoods in Town and according to Town CAO Evan Parliament, there are just two players.

Canadian Waste and the Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission are the two entities in the running for the contract, said CAO Evan Parliament unless an unexpected pitch is made shortly.

Larry Nault, CEO of the Mountain View Regional Waste Commission was in attendance at last week's Town Council meeting explaining to Councillors how garbage in Didsbury will be collected in the future.

The Waste Commission was formed to help bring down costs locally as they are expected to be on the rise in the future. Partners include surrounding municipalities and Mountain View County.

The Mountain View Regional Waste Management Commission is offering three collection alternatives.

First, they can collect residential garbage by hand, second they collect residential garbage by roll-out cart and third they can collect residential waste separated into garbage and compost by roll-out cart.

Nault told Council collecting garbage would be more expensive if done by hand and that municipalities could save significant money if they used the roll-out system that separated compost.

Residents will be charged \$4.25 a month for garbage collection with the roll-out bins. Hand collection will cost \$5 per month. The roll-out bins can be dumped into the truck with mechanical arms saving staffing costs.

Canadian Waste is charging \$4.85 a month to collect garbage.

According to a package handed out to councillors by Nault the two roll-out bin system will allow for the greatest savings.

"The use of the two roll-out bins, one for composting materials only, with separate collection weeks provides an even greater cost savings," states the document. "Considering the rate at which tipping fees are rising at landfills to accommodate more stringent legislation and higher insurance and liability costs, this method has the potential to save a large portion of the costs of waste disposal."

Purchase of the roll-out bins could be made by the Town and paid off over a number of years through the billing system. For budgeting purposes the costs of

the containers is \$85. That price would go down if all municipalities decided to go the route of roll-out bins and a bulk purchase is made.

The Town would receive monthly bills for the tipping fees and then would pass that amount onto Didsbury residents.

Nault said that separating the tipping fees from the regular fees would reward municipalities that tried to take recyclables out of the waste. Compostables are estimated at taking up 30 per cent of the residential waste stream.

Compostables would be taken by the commission and would be turned into a marketable product. Nault said the product could then be sold to further reduce the costs of the garbage collecting program.

Didsbury will pay a tipping fee of \$58 per tonne.

Whether the Town decides to let the Waste Commission or Canadian Waste handle the garbage it will still go through the same process. The Town of Didsbury has already committed itself to being a part of the Commission and its garbage will go through Olds and be weighed.

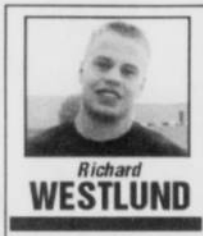
The Commission expects to receive its truck in late January and expect to be fully operational for residential collection by the end of March.



The Town of Didsbury is actively trying to find a solution to the problem of who will pick up Didsbury's residential and commercial garbage.

# OPINIONS EDITORIAL

## Living in fear



Richard  
WESTLUND

We have been told that we must continue our lives and not live in fear or the terrorists have won and the attack on the United States was successful.

Immediately after the attacks it seemed like we might have become a continent that would hole up and live only to protect ourselves from unknown elements. Coverage of anthrax mail in the United States was nightly, air travel, dropped enough to force

carriers out of business and the economy slowed almost to a halt as people were apprehensive about what was going to happen to their hard-earned money.

But the nightly coverage about anthrax no longer exists. People are booking holidays again and markets are more stable. The war on terror in Afghanistan is close to being finished and people have gone back to their lives without the psychological effects of the terrorist attacks.

But we are still a ways from getting to the point where we live our lives with confidence.

At last week's Chinook's Edge School Board meeting, the board voted to turn down any out-of-country field trips for the rest of the school year. And application brought to the board to go even across the border into the United States will be rejected.

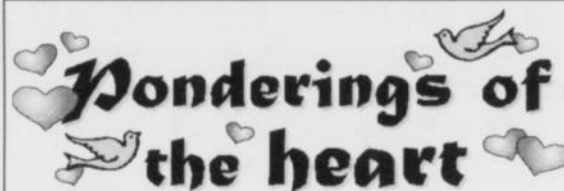
The board has a responsibility to make sure the students it represents are safe in all of their environments including those in other countries during field trips.

But what is happening in the school division is running contrary to everything we are being told to do to make our Country strong and safe and free. The Canadian government has been promoting travel to the United States and recently held a rally in the Big Apple aptly named Canada Loves New York.

And the City of New York said if people around the world want to help out they should come to New York and spend money.

It will never be 100 per cent safe to go on a trip. Even within Canada there are risks. By eliminating the prospect of out-of-country trips instead of looking at them on a case by case basis has limited students.

And the terrorists have hammered home their point.



## A New Year

by Margaret Fradley

How quickly time flies, with once again 'New Years' looming but a short time away.

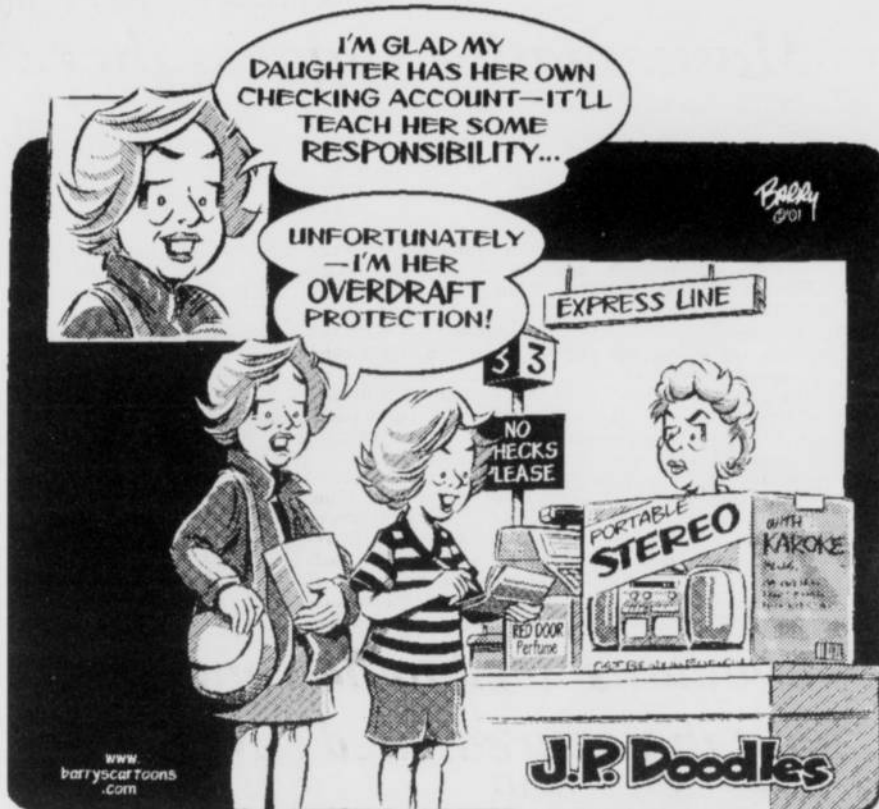
To some the past year brought many changes, perhaps a job situation, health problems or special challenges in their family and personal lives. However, I am sure it brought to all of us an overwhelming sadness and sorrow as well as a sense of compassion for those who lost loved ones in the wake of the terrorist attack. Along with all of this there is always that question lurking deep within us "What will the new year bring?"

Each new day, in a sense is the beginning of another year but of course Jan. 1st is special and seems more significant. It carries with it many memories of a year gone by, and hopes for the year to come.

A new year can be a fresh beginning, new resolutions, new friendship, new challenges and adventures.

We walk into the unknown, but as it has been so wisely said "We know not what the future holds, but we know who holds the future." What a comfort.

A blessed New Year to one and all.



## A merry, merry Christmas for MLAs making much more money

The all-party Members' Services Committee met again on Tuesday, December 11 - the first such meeting since August. MLAs approved a budget to give themselves another raise - up to 4% - in April 2002. The actual raise will be based on the Statistics Canada "average weekly earnings index" for Alberta.

In April of 2001, MLA pay increased 3.3%. In theory MLA pay could also go down, if Albertans' average weekly wages declined.

You may have been away on holidays on August 7, when MLAs voted themselves a 10% after inflation pay raise. At the taxable equivalent of \$76,250 per year, Alberta MLAs are now the third highest paid provincial politicians in Canada.

Technically these meetings are open to the public. But notice of the meeting is limited to posting a sheet of paper on a bulletin board somewhere on the inside of the Legislature. If you are lucky enough to get a phone call from someone who works inside the Legislature, you as a taxpayer might find out when the meeting takes place. You could then observe and take notes about the vari-

ous numbers being spoken of, but would not be given a copy of the proposed budget.

The secrecy of these meetings is the main cause for lack of media attention. In August there were no media present at all - and not for lack of interest.

In August the MLAs also increased their severance pay to three months' salary for every year in office, calculated as per the MLA's three highest-paid years as Premier, Opposition Leader, Speaker, cabinet minister, or backbencher. Without having consulted Alberta taxpayers in the provincial election held only five months earlier, the \$6,750 raise and increased severance packages went into effect immediately.

Finance Minister Pat Nelson announced a 1% across-the-board spending cut in October. On December 11, Committee Chair Ken Kowalski proudly announced that he had found not just 1%, but 3% worth of savings, through delaying the purchase of new office equipment, and other measures.

Exactly how this 3% saving is reconciled with an extra \$560,250 per year for all 83 MLAs was not explained. Nor

did Chairman

Kowalski explain how the 3% saving is reconciled with the \$17.7 million in severance pay that taxpayers would have to pay if all 83 MLAs retired or were defeated in 2005.

The tragedy here goes beyond the contempt which our MLAs express towards the taxpayers who pay their salaries. MLAs have lost their moral authority - or at least some of it - to negotiate effectively with teachers and other groups who want the government to spend more.

Albertans are likely to see more spending cuts announced in the months ahead, as the government tries to scale back a budget that was far too big to begin with. If MLAs don't do the right thing and reverse the mistake they made in August, every spending cut will be tainted with hypocrisy.

Mistakes do not magically go away with the passage of time. Mistakes go away when they are corrected.

It's up to MLAs to correct the mistake they made in August. The sooner, the better.

**John Carpay**  
Canadian Taxpayers Federation



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# FROM THE MAILBAG

NOTES FROM NIGERIA

## Mathematics suggest there is no Santa Claus

Dear Family and friends,

Russell, our school chaplain used this as part of our High School/Middle School chapel this week. I enjoyed it so thought I would share it with you. Food for thought but also just to make you smile. I don't know if Russell really did all these calculations himself or got it from another source.

There seems to be two different Christmases — the one with Santa, and the one with Jesus. Which one is true? I want you to know that I've done my homework on this issue, and I know that a Santa Claus who brings presents from the North Pole to houses of "good children" all over the world every Christmas Eve in a sleigh, CAN'T be real. Here's how I know.

I've been doing some calcu-

lating. I'll skip the big numbers I started with and just say that calculations show that when you take the number of good kid's homes Santa would have to stop at world-wide, and the number of hours available on Christmas Eve — it works out to 967.7 house visits — per second!

That means that Santa has around 1/1000th of a second to park his sleigh, hop out, get into the house, find the tree, deliver the right package, get back inside his sleigh, and take flight again.

But that's just the start. That's just the issue of time. We need to think in terms of speed, too! Calculating an average distance between each house, times the number of houses, makes a total trip distance of 75.5 million miles.

Which means to make all of them in the allotted one-day period — would require that the sleigh move at approx. 650 miles per SECOND! — That's 3,000 times the speed of sound!

But I considered even more factors — for instance — the weight of the sleigh. Assuming each child gets a two pound gift, (the equivalent of a medium size Lego set) — the sleigh would have to carry 500,000 TONS of gifts alone!

Now, studies show that reindeer can pull no more than 300 pounds each. Of course that's the ground-variety of reindeer. If we figure, liberally, that the flying-variety can pull up to 10 times as much weight, that would still mean that Santa would need 333,334 reindeer! But,

that would increase the total weight of the airborne vessel another 54,000 tons — which makes it in total just under 600,000 tons — which is 7 times the weight of the Queen Elizabeth — (the ship, not her majesty's person).

Anyway, 600,000 tons traveling at 650 miles per second creates enormous air resistance — which would heat up the reindeer and sleigh just like a spaceship re-entering the earth's atmosphere. The lead reindeer's nose really would be red — flame red!!!

Calculations show the reindeer would absorb 14.3 quintillion joules of energy per second. In other words — flying suya — and — roast Santa.

Not that all that heat would really matter, because Santa, as a result of accelerating from a dead stop to 650 miles per second in 1,000th of one second would be under the centrifugal force of 17,500 G's! If Santa weighed just 250 pounds, (which seems quite slim from pictures I've seen), he would be pinned to the back of the sleigh by 4.3 million pounds of force — instantly crushing his bones and vital

organs, — and reducing him to a REAL bowl full of pink-goo jelly!

Is there a Santa Claus??? I DON'T THINK SO!!!

And now for the continuing saga: When will the holiday actually be? Tuesday morning we showed up at school to find out that Thursday was to be a public holiday — not for Sallah but because the President was coming to town.

Exams started on Friday and it wasn't until Friday afternoon that we found out for sure that Monday would be the Sallah holiday. I don't think the kids or the teachers are complaining at all. A whole day to study for Friday's exams and then three days to study for exams on Tuesday and Wednesday. For the teachers that means extra time to finish writing exams and to do the grading. We will be out of school just after noon on Wednesday.

Sincerely,  
Dan and Janet

Dan and Janet Snyder are former Didsburians who are doing missionary work in Nigeria.

## Canadians need to be concerned about their threatened sovereignty

Dear Editor:

I am dismayed over the apparent lack of concern by Canadians over our gradual loss of sovereignty.

Your readers may remember the recent MMT fiasco, when Ethyl of Virginia sued the Canadian government under the terms of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) for banning the importation and sale of the fuel additive MMT, a dangerous neurotoxin that is banned in California.

The matter was settled out of court at a cost of \$13 million to Canadian tax payers and the freedom for Ethyl to continue marketing MMT in Canada.

Also under NAFTA's provisions, American-based United Parcel Service is suing our government claiming unfair competition because our publicly administered postal service delivers parcels.

As a result of the Agreement, Canada no longer has the freedom to determine what quantity or at what price we export our oil and natural gas to the U.S.

Our natural resource and industrial plants and our land are for sale to foreigners at fire-sale prices with virtually no restrictions. Sovereign control over our water is being challenged.

The most recent attack on our sovereignty has been launched by Connecticut-based Crompton Corp. (formerly Uniroyal Chemical Co. Inc.)

Crompton is suing Ottawa for \$100 million to cover lost sales, profits and goodwill along with court costs due to the government's ban on the use and sale of the Lindane-based canola seed treatment chemical "Vitavax" in

Canada.

Lindane is considered a health hazard and is not permitted for canola seed treatment in the U.S.

We are shifting from a quasi-democratic form of government to a corporate dictatorship.

Our sovereign right to make decisions over such important matters as energy security, food and drug safety, environmental concerns, human rights, labour and health

standards is being deliberately handed over by our politicians to the wealthy global corporate elite.

To make matters worse, our civil right to protest against these moves is being threatened under the guise of "anti-terrorism" by provisions in Bill C36, currently before the Senate.

Yours truly,  
William Dascavich,  
Vegreville, Alberta

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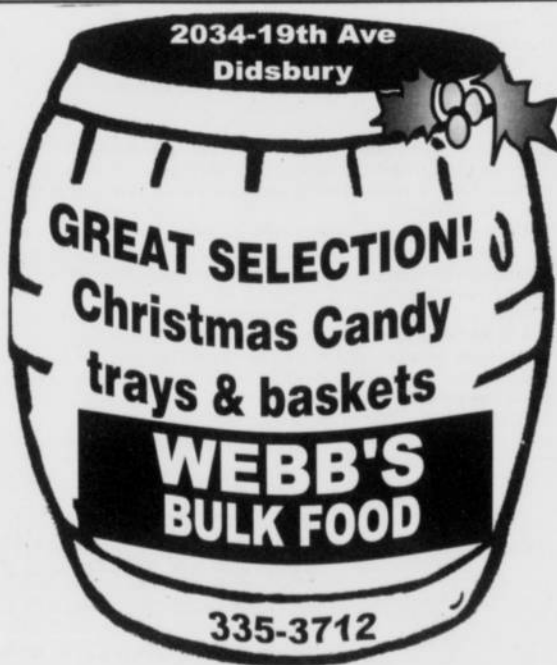
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- Corporate Services: January 15, 2002
- MPC: January 16, 2002
- Community Services: January 29, 2002

A "Meet the Taxpayer" open house will be held in Council Chambers on January 7, 2002 from 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Come out and discuss your issues with your Elected Officials.

To the many volunteers, supporters and donors, the Didsbury & District Senior Support Services (Home Help) would like to thank you all for your kindness, thoughtfulness, and generosity. You all make this program possible. You are appreciated and are a blessing in so many ways. You are never forgotten. We hope that you too are benefitting from all that you give to others.  
Christmas Blessings to All.



## NEWS

## TOWN COUNCIL

# Council makes decision on hard luck tax plea

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury Town Council was forced to deal with a hard luck story at last Wednesday's Town Council meeting as a Didsbury couple is facing losing their house after not paying all of their taxes over the last 10 years.

Town administration received a request from the homeowner the same day of the meeting and usually an issue like this would go to committee. But with the New Year arriving shortly, and another 18 per cent penalty looming, Council addressed

the issue at the regular meeting.

Council voted 5-2 to receive the item as information, meaning that the Town will not intervene and no special exemptions will be made.

The man told Council that because of his age, the banks would not lend him the money to pay the approximate \$10,000 back to the Town. His wife has cancer and they are afraid they are going to lose their house.

The couple has not totally disregarded paying their taxes over the last 10 years and claim they didn't realize the

interest would compound the way that it has.

Of the \$10,000 owing, \$3,200 of it is penalties the Town has applied for not paying on time.

Town of Didsbury CAO Evan Parliament told Town Council that penalties are strict for a reason. He said that by having penalty rate people who owe money to the Town could get a loan from the bank and would pay it back at a lower bank rate.

He said that policy was clear and that he couldn't think of another case where Council has waved penalties.

The dollar amount the couple is forced to pay also stems from not paying their utility bill. After not paying for a certain amount of time the bill is collected through the Town on a tax bill.

Councillor Cheryl Dahl wondered how giving the couple a break would affect everyone else that has paid their taxes on time. Many councillors expressed sympathy for the couples situation but did not want to set a precedent for other cases.

Councillor Clem Kuelker said if the couple didn't understand compounding interest maybe they didn't understand finances period and wondered if the Town could set up a counselling session. Other councillors feared that may lead to doing the same for others that are in trouble paying debt, not just back to the Town but to banks as well.

Kuelker and Mayor Dorothy Moore both voted against receiving the item for information.

## TOWN COUNCIL

## Town gives third reading to Nuisance By-law

by Richard Westlund

Second and third readings for a new Nuisance By-law was given by Didsbury Town Council at last Wednesday's Council meeting.

The new bylaw which will replace one that was implemented in 1984 is more comprehensive and is expected to give the Town's bylaw officer more options when dealing with any particular issue.

The Town advertised the bylaw in the Review but did not receive a lot of feedback on the issue.

Planning and Development Officer Robert Wigg said only a half dozen copies of the

seven-page document were distributed and only got feedback from three residents. Two were in favour of the bylaw and the third asked a question about how boulevards fit into the equation.

Wigg said he felt the public was made aware of the issue and that adequate time had passed.

He recommended to Council to give third and final reading to the bylaw at the meeting.

The bylaw includes everything from trees to litter, dust to fences.

It also includes policy on enforcement and appeal procedures.

The old bylaw was just one page long and deemed to be inadequate by Town administration.

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## SCHOOL BOARD

## Chinook's Edge will not approve out-of-country trips

by Richard Westlund

Chinook's Edge Board of Education passed a motion last week to banning an all out-of-country field trips until the beginning of next school year.

Citing a changed world climate since the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States, the board followed the recommendation made to them by the policy committee and will not grant approval for any international trip until Aug. 30. In September, 2002, they will review the situation and make another decision.

"September 11 brought on a whole new perspective for out-of-country travel. We're uncomfortable with these trips at this time," said Board Chair Roy Brassard, adding that many different facets were looking at the way they are going to do business in the future like airlines and insurance companies.

"We should let it sort itself out first."

Penny Archibald was the only Councillor against the motion citing that it was unfair to students.

"Our people compete in places like Spokane. I can't support this," she said.

Brassard said air-travel wasn't really a consideration in the decision making process and trips within Canada by way of airplane were approved at the same meeting.

Brassard said he believes air-travel is just as safe as taking a bus trip to a field trip location if not more so.

No trips will be cancelled because of the approved motion as none have been granted approval.

The school board earlier this year was concerned with out-of-country field trips when there was widespread fear about foot-and-mouth disease arriving in Canada.



## Open House Wedding Dance

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photos by Carla Victor

### Christmas sounds ...

Olds Koinonia Christian school's Christmas Concert was held at the Olds First Baptist Church on Dec. 13.

## By-law officers in Olds and Didsbury have expanded jurisdiction

by Richard Westlund

Didsbury Town Council approved a motion to sign a community constable services agreement with the Town of Olds.

The two municipalities have entered an agreement that will allow community constables to share services and provide assistance to one another.

The Olds bylaw officer will now have the jurisdiction to write up tickets in the Didsbury area and the Didsbury constable

will have the same power in Olds.

The Olds officer however will not have jurisdiction in communities like Carstairs and Cremona unless those councils become part of the deal.

Discussions have been made to include the Mountain View County special constable but nothing formal has been reached yet.

The agreement between Olds and Didsbury is being endorsed by the respective RCMP detachments.

## Town bonuses will not come at Christmas

by Richard Westlund

Town employees that were expecting bonuses at Christmas are outraged that Town Council has decided to take the matter to its retreat in January.

Town Council carried a motion at the Dec. 12 Council meeting to refer the question of Staff Incentive Bonuses as an agenda item for the Council retreat in Didsbury.

At the end of the meeting Tony Frayn addressed Council and said they were making a mistake by not giving out the bonus at Christmas time when he said employees were expecting them.

He said employees would have to wait until February to get a bonus, if they got one at all now.

He cited an example where employees worked hard to get a subdivision ready under budget and warned Council that employees might not try as hard to save money if they are not rewarded for their efforts.

Frayn said there was an understanding in place with the Town that the money would be given at Christmas time.

Mayor Dorothy Moore said currently there is no policy in place regarding Staff Incentive Bonuses. She said it is Council's responsibility to set policy and administrations' duty to follow it.

It was at the Dec. 6 Corporate Services Committee meeting that a motion to direct Council to table the issue until the retreat was made.

## New Years Eve Cabaret

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## Tree of Hope Greetings of Hope to

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Eva Blain	Florette Duggan	Emelia Kary	Gertrude Pratt
Bill Bohannon	Ilse Fergel	Helen Klinck	Del Ryan
Nellie Breen	Emelia Greening	Maude Krissa	Alister Skeet
Berghal Mennonite Church	Margaret Hemming	Shirley Kruger	Unit #4 Staff and Residents
Karen Campbell	Paul Harrison	Georgina Luft	Don Webber
Marg Crosby	Amanda Howden	Mary McCulloch	Jake Wiebe
Muriel Cowan	Mary Hooper	Al McGregor	Max Wilson
Robert D. Cousins	Ruth Jackson	Mary Ann Mulroney	Cancer Patients & their Families
Bobby Cousins			

## Tree of Hope Greetings In Memory of

Dale Allen	Romalee Greffard	Jackie Laurie	Ethel Reinhardt
Clifford Aarsby	Napoleon Greffard	Kevin Todd Matchullis	Jack and Rosa Robertson
Beatrice Aarsby	Shirley Gordon	Dave MacDonald	Andy Ross
Cora Bales	Maureen Greaves	Colin MacPherson	Randy Ross
Oscar Banick	Elsie Hall	Vi McDonnell	Debbie Ross
Judy Balsom	Alma Hallman	Mason Family Loved Ones	Lydia Rue
Brian Baswick	Florence Hanna	Stan McEwan	Carol Rutherford
Arthur Batram	George Harrison	Margaret McLachlan	Rudy Schabert
Yvette and Joseph Biggeman	Ray Hauck	Ed McNeil	Verdo & Verdella Sherick
Allan Blois	Roy Heyer	Rob McNeil	Martin Schmeltzer
Frank Bonetti	Eric Hemming	Janet McCoy	Joseph Schneider
Mac Cartwright	Ralph Hickie	Jim McCulloch	Gus Shaver
Ronnie Cavanagh	Evelyn & Tom Howden	Liz Moench	Donald Shultz
Souk & Mouy Chantovong	Jim Hooper	Jack & Isabel Miller	Alan Smith
Brian Clark	Doug Hosegood	Ron Wally & Ethel Miller	Ted Smith
George Clark	J. Harvey Hosegood	Marjorie Morrice	Allan, Mom, Dad, Jim
Gavin Collisin	Dorothy A. Hosegood	Bea & Wilf Musgrove	Sandra T. & Sandra G.
Verlin, Bill, Victor & Karen	Percy Hosegood	Edna Murphy	Alice Snyder
Elsie Cook	Brian Hosegood	Ted Nelson	Ole Sorensen
Mom & Dad Cordick	John Hunley	Ivan Nelson Noble	Kyle Sutherland
Eric & Betty Davies	Lynn Hunsperger	Margaret O'Dell	Ruth Sverdrhal
Members of the Davies Family	Phyllis & Ted Hunt	Alexander Osadchy	Ethel Tighe
Katie Decottignies	Walter & Evangeline Irwin	Anne Overwater	Trevor Gary Tokar
Donald Dickieson	Alfred & Louise Janke	John Overwater	Mom & Dad Tetz
Dean Desgagne	Bernadette Janssen	Harold Packer	Jack Underhay
Walter Due	Hermas Jubinville	Dorothy Page	Tyson Van Tighem
Louis Dumaine	George Jubinville	Audrey Persinger	El Vickers (Dad)
Blanche Dumaine	Larry Kadey	Henry Peters	Edward & Keith Waldroff
Noel Dumontier	Ruby Kimmel	Mel Peters	Ed Whalen
Sam Elliot	Larry Krebs	Jeannine Peterson	Wm. Charles White
Ed Evens	George Krissa	Maurena Peterson	Donita Whitlow
Emma Fischer	"Lady"	Jean Plecan	Helen Whitlow
Bettina Fournier	Danny LeClaire	Wally Porsch	Betty Widmer
Nancy Freeman	Richard Levagood	John Priban	Ivor Williams
Marie From	Elizabeth Luft	Evelyn Quantz	Gertrude Wilson
Philip Gee	Leonard Luft	Glenn Ray	Francis Wright
Margaret Gilchrist	Mabel & Everett Laurie	Lillie Ray	Joan Wright
Dorn Gillrie		Verena Renggli	Alfreda & James Worrall
			Hazel Young

The Palliative Care Committee would like to thank all those who purchased a bulb and helped to light up our Tree of Hope. Your generosity helped us raise over \$2000. The committee would like to thank the Bonetud Health Foundation, the palliative care volunteers, The Didsbury Review, Olds Albertan / Carstairs Courier and the Didsbury Chamber of Commerce for their support and assistance in our campaign. Special thanks to Curtis Enget and Erhard's Electric without whom the tree could not have been lit. Thank you also to the 5-0 singers for singing at the tree lighting ceremony.

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### Sleigh bells ring ...

Chinook's Edge School Division Board Chair Roy Brassard gets into the Christmas spirit at a special dinner held during the lunch break at last week's regular board meeting.

### BUDGET

## Mountain View Emergency Services run first-year deficit

by Richard Westlund

Mountain View Regional Emergency Services is expecting a \$10,000 deficit in the 2001 budget at the end of the year and adjustments have been made for the 2002 budget.

Executive Director Lyle McKellar said that in reviewing the numbers for the first year he sees where some numbers were off and how efficiencies in the system can be made now.

He said it is always a challenge in the first year to come up with accurate budget numbers, because there is no past to go on.

"You can see we need to make some adjustments now and we can bring the number back into line," said McKellar stating that goals include upping revenues and decreasing the number of full-time EMTs by one.

EMT-As is the largest cost over run in the 2001 budget and changes will be made in the department next year.

Mountain View Regional Emergency Services operated with seven full-time EMT-As, six for the Emergency ambulances and one for the

peak time ambulance, plus a casual EMT-As for peak times.

In the 2002 budget there will be only six full-time EMT-As on staff and they will utilize casuals, the supervisor and McKellar himself on the peak time ambulance.

McKellar predicts that next year's budget will fall into line more than the first year, because Mountain View Regional Emergency Services have some

real numbers now in their budgeting process.

As for the first year of operation, McKellar describes it as busy but relatively trouble free.

He believes there will be more obstacles in the New Year as the Emergency Services works with true costs versus projected costs.

He said one challenge will be to build a strong business plan that is sound.

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### TOWN AND COUNTY

## Topics of Intermunicipal Discussion Group released

by Richard Westlund

Information was released at last week's Didsbury Town Council meeting outlining what is being talked about in their Intermunicipal Discussion Group.

The Town of Didsbury and Mountain View County have started discussions trying to find ways to work together to lower their respective costs and the topics of possible discussion points have been made public.

Three main areas of discussion have been established - shared services, land use - long term compatibility and economic development.

Under Shared Services items of discussion include public works, protective and emergency services, utilities, equipment, infrastructure, maintenance, support services, waste management, environmental concerns, common requisitions, purchasing, the airport, engineering, cultural facilities and programs, people services and ad-

ministrative services.

Under land use topics for discussion include developing an inter-municipal development plan and Area Structure Plans for the fringe area, trail system, waste management, and the airport.

Water/sewer, marketing strategy, competition for industrial growth and how to deal with it, services - infrastructure, assessment and tax rate differentials, revenue-cost sharing, environment concerns, land requirements, annexation triggers, training and education, long term planning and tourism.

Issues that have been discussed so far include fire authority, policing/

**Three main areas of discussion have been established - shared services, land use - long term compatibility and economic development.**

RCMP/special constables, disaster services, safety/ risk management, land use, public works and the airport.

The Intermunicipal Discussion Group is planning its next meeting early in the New Year.



### Statement of Candidates' Expenditures Provincial General Election

MARCH 12, 2001

Electoral Division of Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills

Candidate	Political Party	Expense
Brenda L. DYCK	ALBERTA NEW DEMOCRATS	768
Richard MARZ	PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE	17,699
Gayleen ROELFSEMA	ALBERTA LIBERALS	7,531
Nicholas SEMMLER	ALBERTA SOCIAL CREDIT	*

Published by: D. Brian Fjeldheim, Chief Electoral Officer \* Did not file the required statement

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## AROUND THE CIRCLE

# Cut-off for registration for Farm and Ranch Bonspiel Dec. 20

by Marge St.Clair

### Tues. Dec. 18th

This will be the last Bingo at the Elks Hall for this year. Bingo will start up again on Tues. Jan 8th. See you all there.

The Hospital Auxiliary Ladies are ecstatic over the wonderful attendance at their tea and bazaar in late November. All the proceeds go to helping the residents be more comfortable.

### Thurs. Dec. 20

The annual Christmas Concert is being held tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Midway School. Admission is a donation to "Pennies for the Rosebud Foundation". Come and enjoy the music and friendship.

### Thurs. Dec. 20

The annual Christmas Concert is being held tonight at the Rosebud Hall at 6:30 p.m. Please bring your own utensils, a meat dish & salad or a meat dish and dessert. Santa will attend, enjoy!

### Thurs. Dec. 20

If you have a men's mixed, or Ladies curling team, this is the last day to register with Neil Youngs 335-4496 for the Farm & Ranch Bonspiel at the Didsbury Curling Rink Jan. 7-12, 2002. Farmers from all over are welcome. More info from Harry Reese at 335-3181.

### Fri. Dec. 21

This will be a busy weekend for the Christmas Helper Program. Tonight at 7:00 p.m. gifts will be sorted in the basement of Zion E.V. Church. Dec. 22nd - The Hampers will be packed at 10:00 a.m. Dec. 22nd - The Hampers will be delivered at 1:00 p.m. If you have free time to help at any of these times, you will be most welcome.

### Sat. Dec. 22

The Mountain View Colts are at home at the Didsbury Arena at 8:00 p.m. against Drumheller. Your support will

be greatly appreciated.

### Tues. Dec. 25

Do not spend Christmas Day alone. The Annual Christmas Dinner is being held at the Elks Hall at 1:00 p.m. The local businesses and the many volunteers make this a special day at no cost. Please bring a gift for the white elephant gift exchange. Come and meet new people, games for the children, sing carols, etc.

### Fri. Dec. 28

Don's World Travel Service (now know as Carlson Wagonlit Travel) invite you to an open house Christmas party at their office on North Main Street from 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Door prizes, refreshments and a chance to check out all the latest travel information.

### Sat. Dec. 29

The Mountain View Colts Alumni Game will be held at the Carstairs Memorial Arena at 8:00 p.m. Come and meet the Colts players of previous years. All proceeds from ticket sales will be presented to the Mountain View Colts organization.

### Mon. Dec. 31

There is a choice of where you can spend New Years Eve.

### Didsbury Elks Hall

Cocktails 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:30 p.m. Dance 9:00 p.m. Formal Dress, limited admittance. Tickets available at Wards Value Drug Mart, Sears and Specialties Unlimited.

### Mountain View Community Hall

Cocktails 6-7 p.m., dinner 7 p.m., dance to DJ music 9:00 p.m., midnite snack and party favors, tickets from Bill 335-8582 or Shawn 335-3694.

### Rugby Community Hall

Family Night at 8:00 p.m. Games, music, pot luck finger food and refreshments.

Free admission.

### Lone Pine Community Hall

Cocktails 8:00 p.m., dancing to live band "t 4" at 9:00 p.m., buffet lunch and party favors, tickets - please phone 335-2350 or 337-2212.

Another year is coming to a close, I can't believe how fast it has gone by especially since I haven't been able to drive anywhere since May.

But I have so many wonderful people who bring me the notes of their organizations or upcoming events and we have coffee and a good visit; lots of others who phone me with their news items for which I am very thankful. I wouldn't have much to write about without the help from all of you.

### Fri. Jan 4

The Annual General meeting of the Didsbury Ag Society will be held at 7:30 p.m. upstairs in the Curling Rink. All

members urged to attend.

### Sat. Jan. 12

The 1st Didsbury Scouting Groups will hold a bottle drive starting at 9:30 a.m. Save all your cans & bottles from Christmas and New Years to help these groups raise money for their Scouting activities.

### Sat. Jan 12

The Didsbury & District historical Society has booked the Community Bus to go on a Magical Mystery Tour to the Provincial Museum exhibits of the "60's".

For all info call Joan at 335-8392 or Denise at 335-9359 or 335-4995. Tickets are also available at these numbers.

### Sat. Jan. 5 & Sat. Jan 12

The Mountain View Colts will play against Stettler and Rimbey both games at 8:00 p.m. at the Didsbury Arena. Come out and support your team.



## The Shining Spirit of Christmas

Let us not forget the true meaning of Christmas:  
The birth of our savior and His message of eternal life.

We hope you enjoy a happy and holy holiday

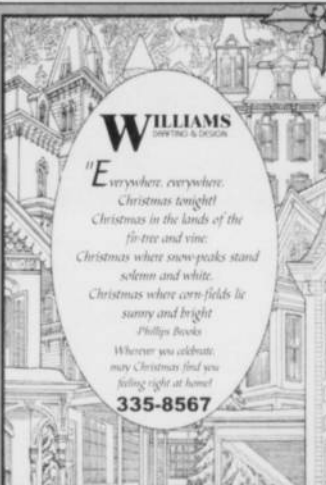
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# NEWS



## Sounds of Christmas ...

The Westglen concert band delighted its audience last week at a Christmas concert held in the school's gymnasium.

## Ordination at St. Cyprian's

St. Cyprian's Anglican Church, Didsbury, hosted its first ordination service in more than a decade as Calgary Bishop Barry Hollowell ordained the Rev. Bob Bettson to the priesthood at a service on Dec. 8. The service included the laying on of hands by the Bishop, and 15 clergy from Calgary diocese who attended the service. The Rev. John Gishler, of St. John's Anglican Church in Olds, was guest preacher. Rev.

Gishler served as interim priest at St. Cyprian's from January to August.

Following the service the parish held a reception for Rev. Bettson and his wife Coline at the 5-0 Centre. He was presented with a cross as a gift from the congregation, and two colourful stoles by the Anglican Church Women (ACW).

Rev. Bettson came to Didsbury as Deacon-in-charge of St. Cyprian's in September after graduat-

ing with a Master of Divinity degree from Trinity College, Toronto in May. His first career was in journalism. He worked for Alberta Report, CFAC Television, the Calgary Herald and the United Church Observer.

Bishop Hollowell recently named Rev. Bettson as editor of The Sower, the diocese's monthly newspaper (circ. 6,500 published with the national paper, the Anglican Journal).

## MOUNT VIEW LODGE Lodge transformed into a Christmas masterpiece

by Annie Caush

Hi all.  
With all the snow and decorations around we know it will soon be Christmas Day!

Our Lodge Auxiliary came last Tuesday and did their usual excellent job of transforming our Lodge.

It really looks festive!  
The members joined us for dinner and after a short meeting they hosted the December Birthday Party. We joined in singing carols and enjoyed Birthday cake and other "goodies" and coffee.

Thanks so much all of you. Those celebrating December Birthdays are Vivian Carlson, Esther Dahl, Susan Harvey, Gladys Jorgensen, Daisy Richey, Doris Robertson, Bob Gathercole and Harvey Harper. Happy Birth-

day all!

On Wednesday the Catholic Ladies called Bingo and passed out Christmas oranges and that evening the "Brownies" and "Sparks" came and sang for us. Thanks so much.

On Thursday evening we had our annual Christmas Banquet. Most of us had a guest and we had several Board members and the deputy Mayor of Olds. The evergreen Choir provided lovely entertainment after our excellent meal. Thanks to staff

and entertainers for a wonderful evening.

Looking ahead on our calendar we see we will be visited by "Fred and Friends" the Reed Ranch School and several others. We also have a couple of trips around town so we will be busy. Ask us about it when you visit over the holidays.

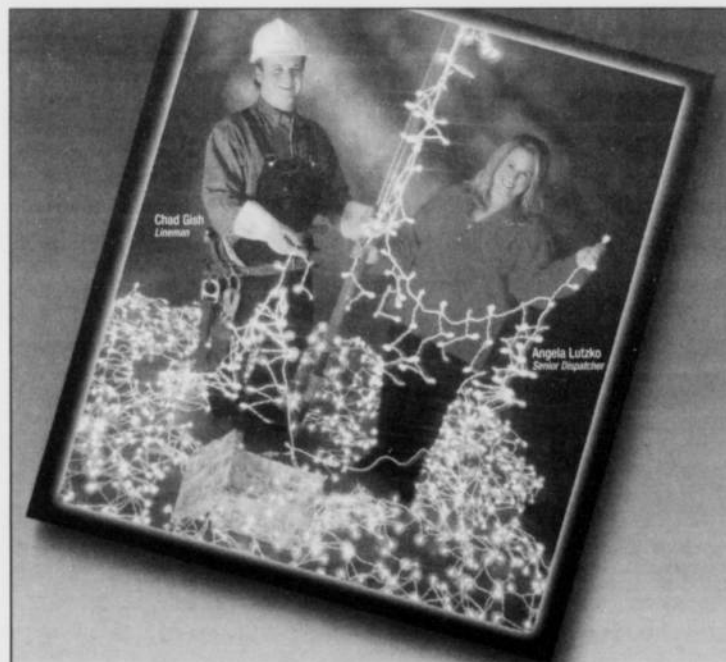
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## SOUTH WEST DIDSBURY NEWS Knox United Church Ladies held Christmas Party

by Bessie Eckstrand

Helen Klinck of Didsbury Nursing Home (unit 4) is proud to announce the arrival today (Dec. 12) of a great grandson.

Another Old Timer of the South West area passed away. "Bob McGaffin of Burnaby, B.C." on Dec. 11th in the Burnaby Hospital following hip surgery. He was 92 yrs old or young, had married Helen Moon of Didsbury - worked for Prevast Motors, played Violin in Howard Hallidays Orchestra. He suffered from Parkinson's Disease but his mind was still very alert & continued to write his poetry. He died one day short of having been married 66 years. He had been a minister of the Gospel but retired about 25 years ago. Please accept our deepest sympathy Helen, hope to see you soon.

Knox United Church Ladies held a very successful Christmas Party on Tues. Dec. 4th in the sanctuary, with about 40 ladies & gentlemen present. All enjoyed the Service of Worship on Advent (John the Baptist & The Birth of Jesus). Chairing the evening was President Bessie & Vice- Pres, Elsie Brander.

Three ladies sang a Trio - Doreen MacEwan, Kay Fisher & Evelyn Clark. Several carols were sang. The party moved to the Christian Education Room for Presentations of Life Membership Pins. Past President Spoons & a gift to Rev. Malcolm & Barbara Proffitt for their years of tireless ministration to the congregation & then some games, carol singing & readings & lovely lunch. Boxes of goodies were packed & delivered to Sns. shut-ins & bereaved people.

Another pioneer Ruby Kimmel of 95 yrs was laid to rest on Dec. 10th with Rev. Malcolm Proffitt officiating and buried in the Dids. Cemetery. Church ladies provided a delicious lunch to a very large crowd of mourners.

Ruby was born Feb. 14 (a valentine) 1906 just south of Didsbury on the Hunsperger Farm (Kays Meats) & attended school in Didsbury. She took a brief Secretarial Course in Calgary & returned to work at a Dids. Bank. One night at a dance she met a tall handsome fellow, Dale Kimmel. They were married Aug. 6, 1929 in Knox United Church, Calgary with Irene & Wilf Rennie standing up for them.

Ruby took a crash course in mak-

ing bread, washing clothes by hand, packing water to the house & live-stock, keeping the wood fire burning to keep the house warm & also some baby chicks.

They raised 3 children, Elaine (McCoy) & Norma (Klein) & Dick.

She was a happy lady when Dale traded a horse for a powered washing machine. She joined Knox United Church & U.C.W. & the I.O.D.E.

They retired to Didsbury in 1959 & loved to travel. One dear friend was the late Harriet Slaunton & sister Irene Rennie. Fried chicken dinners were the norm with Rennies & Carstairs McCoys & always ended up with a Sing Song around the piano.

After hubby died in 1978 she lived alone in her house & then moved to the nursing home 10 yrs ago. She said "Quote". "They just don't come any better than these girls."

She was always ready for a visit & drive in the country & had a ready wit. Just last week, she joked about old age catching up with her, and finally it did. She was ready, said she had a good life. Rest in Peace Ruby.

I would like to express a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year of 2002 to Gene Hartmann, Ila & family, who are now enjoying living in the country, living in Bonkowski house at Waterloo. Also Best Wishes to all the staff & readers of the Didsbury Review.

I would like to thank my husband Cliff for transporting news to town. Merry Christmas to all.



### Important visitors ...

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus were on hand to meet with young and old Didsburians alike last Wednesday at the Didsbury Hospital.



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## Music helps build a lodge ...

Shirley Portingale (right), organizer of the Christmas Cantata gives Doreen Wilson of Mountain View Seniors Housing the proceeds of the event that took place Nov. 25. The cantata raised over \$400 for the Didsbury Lodge.

## CABLE IN DIDSBURY

# SHAW Launches Digital Cable Service in Didsbury

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Vice President Operations

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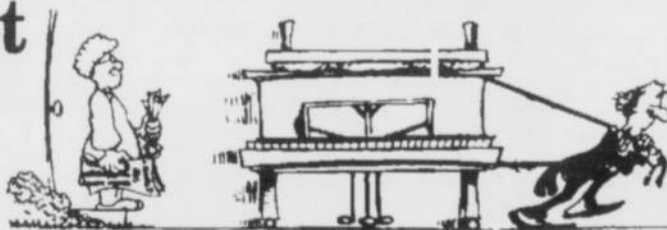
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## BUSINESS

## GREEN MATTERS

## Is recycling our garbage worth the bother?

by Robert Austin

First of all, what is garbage? That's easy, it is stuff we consider unusable and unsalable we no longer want: kitchen garbage is the most obvious. But if you are sitting in your kitchen or living room reading this, look around you. Virtually everything you see which is man-made will at some point become obsolete and then it is waste: your clothing, furniture, appliances, recreational "toys", your car and even your house!

When materials are disposed of we have customarily either burned or buried them. Burning reduces the volume of material we then bury but generates gases, chemical substances and particulate matter which disperses into the atmosphere. Remember your high school chemistry - matter can not be destroyed; only its form can change. Now if we bury everything, it still is with us although it may be out of sight. Mother Nature cannot chew up and spit out as useful soil all of our waste. Glass lasts for hundreds or thousands of years; some met-

als breakdown fairly readily but are the by-products of any benefit? Plastics are the worst: we are not sure how most break down or what the byproducts will be.

Urban society is now coming to grips with the tremendous cost of hiding our garbage. Waste disposal, domestic and industrial, is a huge part of our public budgets. Disposal is only the more obvious cost, less obvious but of far greater cost to society is the resource input into manufacturing all these items. Huge amounts of energy, water, minerals, wood, technology and labour are required, and we are throwing most of it away.

Consider everyday paper: newsprint, writing paper, wrappings and boxes. It takes an average of 60,000 litres of water to make 1 ton of virgin fiber paper. Part of this "brown" paper must be extensively chemically treated to whiten it. For each ton of used paper recycled nearly a ton of "new" paper can be produced saving 2 - 3.5 tons of trees.

Energy savings amount of 30 - 40 % of original input and chemical treatments are

substantially reduced as is water demand.

Aluminum beverage containers can be recycled using only 5% of the energy necessary to make aluminum from bauxite ore. Such recycling also reduce air pollution by 95% compared to original manufacture. New ore does not have to be mined, transported and processed.

Glass is easily recyclable requiring only melting and reforming. Reusing bottles is even more beneficial - only cleaning, relabelling and capping brings a bottle back into full use and this can repeat many times.

A substantial part of domestic garbage is kitchen vegetable wastes, grass clippings and leaves. These substances are readily composted either by the individual or in bulk at the municipal level. Composting is relatively simple; just letting the plant matter rot as Mother Nature would, thus producing a healthy and beneficial soil additive and removing the necessity of artificial conditioners and fertilizers.

We are all victims of what is called the "frontier mentality". Through our upbringing and experience we act as if we have just discovered a new

land. We cut the forests, overfarm the land, extract the minerals, drain the rivers, pollute soil, air and water - and then move on. Except now there is nowhere else to go.

In the meantime we look at things we don't like and ponder why "someone" isn't doing something. Here is the basic problem - that "someone" is you and me. If we are not part of the solution, then we are still part of the problem. We cannot afford to continue reckless production, consumption and waste.

Robert Austin is a former educator and businessman who now lives in Didsbury.

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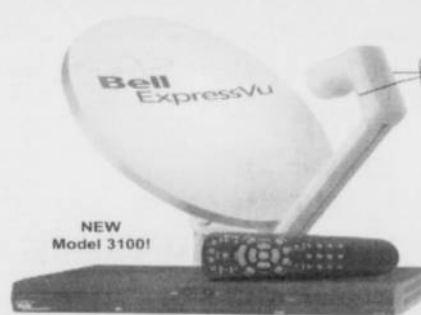
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## AFTER HOLIDAYS

# Helping your employees shift back from vacation mode

by Lesley Gunn

'Tis the season and employees are getting ready for the holidays and spending lunch breaks shopping for gifts. All you have to do before your staff leaves on vacation is make sure they meet immediate deadlines, tie up loose ends and empty their in-boxes, right?

Not so fast. A recent survey by OfficeTeam suggests that companies need to encourage employees to plan not just for their departure from work but also for their return.

According to Canadian executives polled, it takes an average of two days for a typical employee to resume normal productivity levels following a vacation. Multiply that by the number of staff members you supervise, and you could be looking at several weeks' worth of low efficiency and minimal output.

While everyone deserves time off to be with friends and family during the holiday season, in today's highly competitive business climate few firms can afford to have their employees return so gradually from vacation. Since many workers take end-of-the-year vacations that frequently overlap, it's especially important for everyone to have a re-entry plan. Encourage employees to hit the ground running after the holidays by doing the following:

- Set a schedule for the first day back. Yes, your team members will be busy wrapping up projects before they leave, but ask each of them to also plan for the day they'll be returning to work. They should allot specific blocks of time to respond to phone and e-mail messages, sort through the backlog of traditional mail, and review the status of ongoing assignments.

- You may also want to suggest they meet with colleagues to get up to speed on recent company or department developments, and new priorities. Making a schedule for the day will help employees make the transition from the flexibility of vacation to the structure of work.

- Use available technology. Before they leave, staff members should change voice and e-mail greetings to indicate they're out of the office and when they will return. Callers are less likely to leave multiple messages for someone they know won't respond right away. The greeting should also direct callers to an employee in the office who can assist with urgent matters.

- Consider taking a transition day. A jet-lagged, sleep-deprived employee is not a productive, alert or prepared one. If your staff members

are planning out-of-town vacations that entail returning late Sunday night and coming to work early Monday morning, suggest that they take an extra day for transition. This is especially critical if employees will be traveling through time zones.

- Taking an additional day off as a buffer will enable people to catch up on sleep, personal matters, errands and housework so that they'll be more focused when they do get back to the office.

- Minimize chitchat. Once they return, it's only natural for employees to recap their vacations for one another. This is fine, as long as it doesn't interfere with their ability to get back up to speed. Consider using the first five or ten minutes of the weekly staff meeting as an informal "catch-up" time. Give employees the opportunity to share a funny or interesting story about their vacation with the group. Then everyone will be ready to get down to business.

- Capitalize on the "vacation afterglow." Employees typically return from vacations with recharged spirits and refreshed minds. The beginning of the year is therefore a perfect time to hold creative brainstorming or planning sessions. That way you'll turn the personal benefits of individual vacations into a power source for your entire department.

- Encouraging your staff to use these tactics can decrease the amount of time they spend playing catch-up after a vacation — and prevent frustration on your part over lost productivity. That's a great holiday gift for any manager.

Lesley Gunn is branch manager of the Toronto OfficeTeam location.

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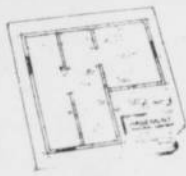
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## PARTNERSHIP Calgary Stampede and Olds College team up in Calgary

Olds College and the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede are working together to expand education and training opportunities in agriculture, horticulture, land and the environment for people in the Calgary area.

At the Stampede Board of Directors meeting this evening, an agreement was signed that will see a variety of Olds College courses and programs provided at a satellite campus using Stampede facilities.

Roger Jarvis, President of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, said, "The Calgary Stampede is committed to the advancement of agriculture, youth and education."

"Olds College, Canada's preeminent applied learning institute for agriculture and the land, embraces those same ideals."

"This new partnership provides both parties with an exciting opportunity to further advance our mandate, expand our agricultural and training services and maximize use of the facilities in Stampede Park."

"Working with this internationally-renowned organization is a wonderful opportunity to share our expertise in agriculture, horticulture, land and the environment with industry and the public in the Calgary area," says Olds College President H.J. (Tom) Thompson.

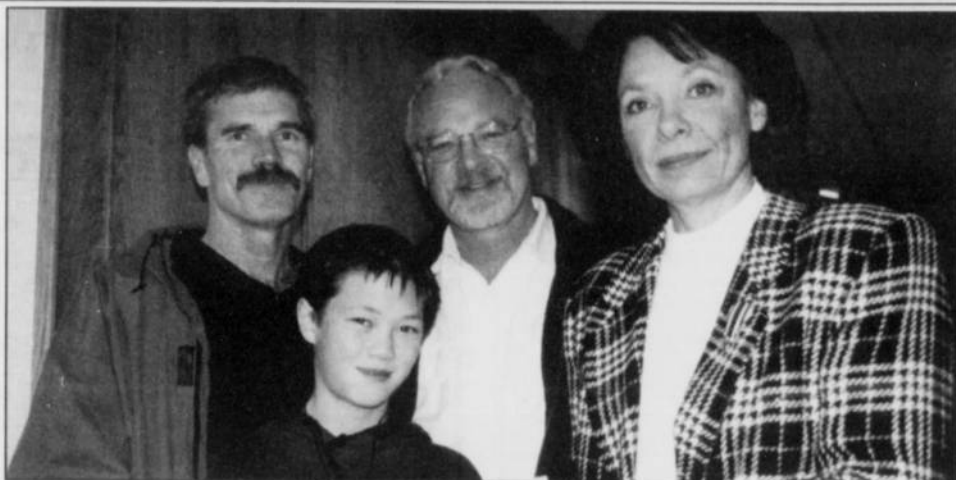
"Together, we can provide the vision, training and facilities necessary to build prosperity for Alberta's agriculture and food industry."

Shirley McClellan, Alberta Deputy Premier and Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development and Learning Minister Lyle Oberg were on hand to witness the signing of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the College and the Stampede. Olds College, the longest continuously serving agricultural college in Alberta, has an international reputation in providing leading-edge agriculture, horticultural and environmental land management training at the certificate, diploma and applied degree level.

The Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, which organizes a wide variety of agricultural events year round, is best known for the world famous Calgary Stampede in

July, an annual event since 1912.

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### Skate Park gets boost ...

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## RODEO

### Bronc rider recovering from "freak accident"

by Carla Victor

A 17-year-old boy from Big Valley sustained serious head injuries after being kicked in the head by the bronc he was riding during a rodeo practice at Olds College, Dec. 11. STARS air ambulance transported Vaile Kerner, a Stettler High school student, to Foothills Hospital in Calgary with what was thought to be life-threatening head injuries.

Witnesses said Kerner was about two seconds into the ride when he was thrown from the horse. They were not sure how many times he was kicked in the head. Lynn Roberts, an EMT who volunteers his time for every Tuesday practice, was on the scene immediately. Mountain View Regional Emergency Services stabilized Kerner while STARS was enroute.

"The boy had serious head injuries and was not regaining consciousness," said Roberts, "under those circumstances STARS usually responds."

Olds College Rodeo Coach Dale Butterwick, also from Big Valley, was the pickup man for the practice. He knew Kerner was in trouble the moment it happened.

"He was just bucked off, it didn't look that bad. It was just a freak deal the way the horse spun around and kicked him," said Butterwick. "I knew he was out immediately."

Kerner's father, Randy, witnessed the fluke accident. "When Vaile went off the horse he rolled the way he was supposed to. He was rolling away, but the horse spun a different way (than expected) and clipped him in the head."

STARS responded within 18 minutes. Kerner was unconscious for about 14 hours after the accident. Doctors induced a coma, not letting Kerner regain consciousness until they



Vaile Kerner, a Stettler High school student, was sent to Foothills Hospital in Calgary by STARS with what was thought to be life-threatening head injuries.

confirmed there were no life-threatening injuries.

Kerner has been slowly waking up since Dec. 12. He suffered a closed head injury and a zygomatic fracture (a fracture to the bone above the eye socket).

"Vaile woke up for a little while Dec. 13 and one of the first things he asked was how the guys are doing at the NFR," said Randy. He explained that family friends were competing

in the National Finals Rodeo.

"Our neighbour is Rod Warren (Saddlebronc rider) and Vaile wanted to know how he, Glen (O'Neill) and Denny (Hay) were all doing," said Randy. Rodeo is a big part of the Kerner family. Randy rode bareback, and has roped most of his life. Vaile has roped since he was six and he and Randy still team rope together.

Last year Vaile qualified for the Alberta High School Rodeo

Finals in Bull Dogging and has qualified for the International High School Rodeo Finals.

Randy doesn't expect this injury to deter Vaile from rodeo, or from bronc riding - a sport he just started this past fall. He has already placed at a couple of rodeos this year.

"Vaile is the type of kid that when he has something made up in his mind and he is going to do it, he is going to win it, he will do it," said Randy.

Vaile has been practicing bronc riding at Olds College since this season began in September. Randy doesn't expect Vaile to be out for the entire high school rodeo season.

"The doctors have said Vaile is looking good and responding well. There was no stitches needed or any broken bones. All the scans have come back 100 per cent. Everything looks really good, it is just a matter of time," said Randy.

### Glen O'Neill Finishes second at the National Finals Rodeo

by Barry Williams

Water Valley saddle bronc rider Glen O'Neill finished second in the Jack Daniel's Professional Cowboys' Rodeo Association World Standings.

Despite riding with a separated right shoulder at the National Finals Rodeo held in Las Vegas, Nevada, last week, O'Neill managed to cover five mounts for a mark of 401 for earnings of \$28,353.

The Australian born 28-year-old landed immigrant, a five-time NFR qualifier and

2001 Canadian Professional Rodeo Association saddle bronc champion, rode into the Las Vegas rodeo as the number one competitor in the World standings with earnings of \$159,628. When the final buzzer sounded at the NFR, O'Neill left the city of bright lights with \$188,053 in total World earnings tightly tucked in his Wrangler jeans.

It was a tough ride for O'Neill in the first four rounds of the NFR as he was shut out of the money, but in the remaining rounds he started to feel

more comfortable in the saddle and won money in the final six rounds. He finished the world's richest rodeo with a mark of 85 for a 2/3 split worth \$9,378 in the 10th and final round on Sunday Dec. 17.

About the injury, O'Neill told a couple of Calgary journalists covering the NFR... "The shoulder was painful, sore and weak, but wasn't going to fall out when I was riding."

"It's a weird feeling... It's numb and weak and a bit painful," said O'Neill, indicating he

was taking each ride one at a time to see what happens. He refused to have the shoulder frozen and treated the injury by icing it down.

"It's not a serious injury and will heal when I take some time off," noted O'Neill.

At the half way point in the NFR, O'Neill was still leading the World standings and was figuring in the average despite his uncommon slow start to the rodeo.

Although Big Valley, saddle bronc rider Rod Warren didn't get as much media attention as

did O'Neill, the soft spoken rider spurred out \$15,921 at the NFR and finished in sixth place in the World standing with total earnings of \$93,893. Warren had successful rides on 7 mounts for an accumulative score of 543.

With \$90,977 in seasonal World standings earnings, two-time Canadian bull riding champion, Rob Bell, of Water Valley, had a difficult time trying to tame the rank pen of bulls at the NFR.

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ment) the team never gave up and spirits were always high! They have now been realigned to the C1 division and we're looking forward to more fun and team play!

The Didsbury Revenge competed in their first tournament this year in Bowden on the weekend of December 8th and 9th.

There was some very stiff competition, but through teamwork and hard work, they made it to the "A" final.

After all was said and done, they placed 2nd in the tournament and should be very proud of the great hockey they played.

They never gave up, even in the final when things weren't going so great.

Good for you guys, you showed them that hard work and dedication does matter.

The Didsbury Revenge will be hosting a tournament on January 12th and 13th 2002 and we hope you will all come out and watch these great bunch of kids play!

## O'NEILL *continued from Page 18*

Bell was flung around a few times aboard the rank bulls and suffered a mild concussion in the fourth round after the bull he was aboard caught him with his horns on the left side of the face. Bell got hung up on the mount and couldn't get his riding hand loose, which allowed the bull to fling him around. Like a true champion bull rider, Bell hung in there riding in the remaining rounds but was unable to visit the pay window on many occasions.

If the NFR was based on courage and the desire to ride, Bell would have won top spot. However he had to settle for tenth place in the World standings pocketing \$96,640.

"That bull whacked me on the side of my head pretty good, I couldn't feel the side of my face and I think I was out for a few minutes," Bell told journalists after he had rested in the MASH room for about 15 minutes.

Olds bull rider, Greg Whitlow, qualified for the NFR for the first time, but a serious injury sustained at the Canadian Finals Rodeo kept him out of action. Despite not nodding his head once for a ride at the NFR, Whitlow still placed 14th in the World standings with \$62,120 in seasonal earnings.

Although the local cowboys failed to bring home a World Championship Buckle, they did their country and fellow members of the Canadian Professional Rodeo Association proud.

## Didsbury Rangers defeat Innisfail 10-7 in exciting game

Meet the Didsbury Tyke Rangers. The team is made up of Jordan Olson, Daniel Graf, Maija Lappala, Taylor Allen, Shauni Hasselberg, Travis Smith, Michael and Colin Northcott, Jacob Strautman, Josh Stewart, Jay Gole and Devon Nuttal. Coaches are Gary Graf, Ed Strautman, Lawrence Allen and Cory Olson and our Manager is Karilyn Northcott. Saturday, Dec 8th saw the Rangers up in Innisfail for an exhibition game. It was an exciting end to end game with the final score 10-7 for Didsbury. Maija did an incredible job on her first time in net. Sunday Dec. 16th saw the Rangers facing off against Olds 3 in Olds with a final score of 13-7 for Olds 3. In net for the first time was Jacob Strautman who made so

many awesome saves, we fans were left breathless. Working hard on defense we had Daniel, Colin, Josh and Devon. Skating hard and digging for the puck on forward were Jordan, Maija, Taylor, Shauni, Travis, Michael and Jay. On Thursday, Dec 13th the Rangers had their Christmas Party in the party room at the pool. The Tykes team has been overwhelmed by the generosity and support of many sponsors, all of our 4 tournaments are paid for and an anonymous donor provided windsuits for all of the players. We are so fortunate to have our dedicated coaches and manager and also all of the parents have pitched in and helped out in some capacity or another. What a great group of kids and parents!

## Rangers hosting pre-Christmas tournament this weekend

The Didsbury Roughriders will be hosting a pre-Christmas Hockey Tournament this weekend Dec. 22, 23/01.

Take a break from the Christmas rush and come and enjoy some fast paced love of the game hockey. Games all day Saturday starting at 9:00 am, and the final Three games on Sunday morn-

ing starting at 8:00.

Try your luck at the Raffle table, great prizes to be won also a chance to win some cash with the 50/50 draws during each game On behalf of the parents of the Roughriders we wish everyone a Merry Christmas with family and friends and all the best in 2002.

## Colts alumni game will be played after Christmas in Carstairs

by Richard Westlund

An alumni game featuring Mountain View Colts of the past will be played in Carstairs on Dec. 29 at 8 p.m.

Players who played with the Colts when the team was first formed to players who played their final season last year will among those partici-

pating in the game.

Players like Mike Vanteetering, Ross Parslow and Darcy and Darren Dallas will be some of the names that will take to the ice.

Old coaches will get into the act too. Darwin Casebeer, Gerry Willey and Bill Dallas will man the benches.

## Atoms A's win two on weekend

With realignment in place this last week the Atom A's were placed in A3 to defend last years league championship. Although competitive with most A2 teams, the local Atoms fit well with all A3 teams and will play in a very evenly matched league. On Saturday December 15th, the Atoms were host to Carstairs Bruins and put on a great show.

Matt Metka notched three goals while Randy Hunter, Coley Dietrich, John Johnston and Kyle

Gebers added singles in a 7-3 victory.

Assists went to Matt, AJ McCoy, C. Wencowski. On Sunday December 16th, the boys were in a barn burner at home with the Okotoks Oilers. This highly entertaining game ended in a 4-3 victory for Didsbury. Matt Metka scored three goals and Randy Hunter added a single. Assists went to Kyle Gebers on Matt's first goal. The Atoms travel to Cochrane next weekend for a tournament.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MEMORIAM



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December 25, 1933-August 13, 2001

December 25th would have been your birthday, if a speeding truck had not taken you away. The day you were born, the good Lord smiled, for you are a Christmas Child. Mom, my heart still searches for you everywhere, and so I live on faith and prayer.

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We would like to give a sincere THANK YOU for the love, understanding, care and compassion given to us by family and friends during the past year.  
Dianna, Mark, Jay, Ron, Jean and Lorna  
NELSON, Teddy Ross  
December 23, 1992

December comes with sad regrets, It holds a memory I can't forget. No longer in my life to share, But in my heart you're always there. Silent thoughts of times together, Hold memories that will last forever. Lovingly remembered by your wife and best friend Jessie  
IN LOVING MEMORY of Ted Nelson, who passed away Dec. 23, 1992. Years go by, time moves on But loving memories of you are never gone. We often long to feel your caring touch Or to watch you hold the grand daughter you'd love so much. We hold onto comfort from up above Knowing you're watching over those you love. Loved and always missed by Jayson, Sherri and Taryn

## CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all of the people for their kindness and consideration during our time of sorrow. In the passing of our sister & sister-in-law, Audrey. Many people sent cards, flowers & food to our homes. Your kindness and consideration is greatly appreciated. A thank you to Reverend Bob Bettson for the Church Service. To the Royal Purple Ladies and the Anglican Church Ladies for supplying lunch. As well thanks to all the staff at the Nursing Home for the excellent care given to Audrey while she was in the Nursing Home.  
Sincerely,  
The Gooding and Persinger Families

## BIRTHDAY

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## OBITUARY

Harvey Doll - Harvey passed away Oct. 15 at Terrace B.C., brother of Irene Elliot. Uncle Harvey was born Dec. 21, 1896 in Waterloo, Ont. one of 7 brothers & sisters, he married Caroline in 1917 a widow with 3 daughters, in 1923 they moved to Woodcock, B.C. & Terrace in 1927, to Prince Rupert during second world war & back to Terrace where he worked as a carpenter. One of the women from the Lodge said "He made people feel good, he was always positive & bright. He was the oldest citizen in Terrace, B.C. He was predeceased by his wife in 1977 & 3 brothers & 2 sisters, one son.  
Sanderson, Leonard James - Born in Calgary, January 20, 1941, passed away suddenly at his farm east of Olds, Dec. 11/2001. Len was the youngest son of Ian and Elizabeth (Betty) Sanderson. Len grew up in Southwest Calgary where he attended various schools graduating from Western Canada High in 1959 and received a scholarship in automotive mechanics. Len began farming with his Dad, Ian and brother Lorn on the family farm at Red Deer Lake. In 1962, Len married Alice Goodbun and they had two children Greg and Bonnie. In 1970, they moved to the farm southeast of Olds where Len operated a mixed farm. In 1980 Len married Cecilia Larson of West Vancouver and with her young son, Owen, continued the farming operation. Len & Cecilia became interested in the llama industry and were active participants at the time of his death. Many friends were gained and numerous awards received through their llama organization. Len's keen interest in skating began at the outdoor rinks in Midnapore, continuing throughout his life and most recently still playing hockey up to 5 times/week. Len was predeceased by his mother Elizabeth in 1987 and stepson Owen in 2001. He will be lovingly remembered by his wife Cecilia of 21 years, son Greg (Kathy) Sanderson of Olds, daughter Bonnie (Patrick) O'Rourke of Airdrie, daughter-in-law Louise Sanderson of Olds, five grandchildren Melissa & Kevin O'Rourke, Sara Sanderson, Christopher & Michael Sanderson, his father Ian Sanderson and brother Lorn (Mary) Sanderson all of High River, mother-in-law Betty Biddell & brother-in-law Eric Bird both of Sundre, and numerous relatives and friends. Memorial services were held December 15, 2001. If desired, donations may be made to the Canadian Heart & Stroke Foundation. Mountain View Funeral Chapels entrusted with arrangements.

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#### Annual Rosebud Christmas Concert

Dec. 20, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rosebud Hall. Potluck supper - main dish & salad or main dish & dessert. Bring plates and utensils. Santa will visit. Everyone welcome.

#### Midway School

Christmas concert "A Place in the Christmas Choir" Thursday, December 20, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Admission is a donation to Pennies for the Rosebud Foundation.

### DIDSBURY

#### Rugby Hall

New Years Eve at Rugby Hall. Family night, 8 p.m. Pot luck finger food and refreshments. Games, music, socializing. Free admission.

#### Meeting

Compassionate Friends - last Thursday of each month (except December), 7:30 p.m. in Board Room at Drumheller Health Unit. Contact Linda Adams at 823-3341.

#### Live Nativity Performance

Dec. 21, 22, 23 at 7:45 p.m. at the Redeemer Lutheran Church. Admission is free. Hot chocolate & snacks to follow. For more info call 335-3161.

### DIDSBURY

#### Senior's Bus Trip

Going to see Christmas lights in Calgary Dec. 13, 2001. Leaving 5-0 at 4 p.m. Florence 335-3327 for reservations.

#### Candlelight Service

Christmas Eve candlelight service Dec. 24 at 7 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Missionary Church.

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### DIDSBURY

#### COMMUNITY CRISIS SOCIETY

Are you experiencing family violence? Please call the Crisis Shelter at 1-877-934-6634.

#### DIVORCE CARE

A video support group meeting for divorced/separated persons now meets every Thurs. at 2022-20 Ave. Didsbury (west of post office). A place to be understood & learn valuable ways to cope and heal. Contact Amie at 335-9656 for more info.

#### CHAMPS

"NEW" Canadian Weight Awareness - CHAMPS Clubs Inc. is a Registered Non-Profit Weight Loss Support Organization which meets weekly. We are open to Men and Ladies who share a common concern of managing funds sensibly. For more info contact Elaine at 250-832-7671 or Jan at 250-392-5474.

#### DIDSBURY MUSEUM

New Winter hours: Saturday: 1 - 5 p.m., special occasions & anytime by appointment. Please call Marg Weaver at 335-4245, Jim Neis at 335-3133 or Willard Stauffer at 335-3715.

#### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

General Meeting - Second Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting 335-3265. RSVP

#### DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Stacey at 335-4487 or Joanne at 337-2614.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board meets once every two months at the Town Office. For info call Jean at the Town Office at 335-3391.

#### TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library. Open Tuesdays 10-11:30 a.m. and 2nd & 4th Saturdays for the fall at the Anglican Church Hall basement 2037 - 24 Ave. New members always welcome. Kerri at 335-9928.

#### AA

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Roxanne at 335-8322 or Rick at 335-9525.

#### TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out and Dads Too. At Redeemer Lutheran Church, Mondays 10-11:30 a.m. Nominal babysitting fee. Call 335-2388 for more information.

### DIDSBURY

#### KING HIRAM LODGE

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250.

#### O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 7:30 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Kay Johnston at 335-4060.

#### GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Gamblers Anonymous (G.A.) starting Monday, January 22 from 7 - 9 p.m. in the Assembly Room at the Hospital Unit 4. For more information please call 335-8208.

#### SONS OF NORWAY

Sons of Norway meets the 4th Monday of every month at 8 p.m. at Evergreen Centre in Olds. All welcome. Call 556-2401 or 337-2037 for more information.

#### RECYCLING DEPOT

Didsbury Lions Recycle Centre open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Accepting newspaper, office papers, magazines, junkmail, plastic milkjugs (please clean). Phone 335-8193. Use outside bins.

#### CASH BINGO

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#### DIDSBURY PRESCHOOL

We are currently accepting registrations for the 2001-2002 school year. No parent commitment or fundraising required. Call 335-8039 or 335-4697 for info.

#### LIONS

Lions Handi Bus in town service Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Wheelchair accessible. Call Lloyd Kenyon at 335-2363.

#### INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location.

#### BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 7 - 8 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome.

#### OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Just Done For Fun out of school care program runs each school day at Ross Ford. For more information call 335-8168.

### DIDSBURY

#### AL-ANON

Al-Anon: for persons affected by someone else's drinking. Fri. 8 p.m. For more information call 337-2549, 335-9787 or 337-3762.

#### BRIDGE CLUB

Mountain View Bridge Club meets every Wednesday from 7-10 p.m. at the Masonic Star Hall, 2037-21 Avenue, Didsbury. All bridge players welcome! For more info: 335-8375 or 638-2757.

#### HALL WALKING

Adult hall walking at West Glen from 6:45 a.m. Monday to Thursday. Keep fit this winter.

#### SUPPORT GROUP

ADD /ADHD Support Group. For parents and families dealing with attention deficit disorder. For more info call Sheree 335-8612.

#### HOME HELP ASSOCIATION

The Didsbury Home Help Support Services co-ordinates assistance for seniors. Call 335-4391.

#### LEARNING DISABILITIES

Learning Disabilities of Alberta, Mtn. View Chapter. Support and info for parents and teachers dealing with learning disabilities. Meet on last Tuesday of the month in lower level conference room in Physiotherapy Unit of Hospital. For info call Susan at 335-3174.

### LONE PINE

#### T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets every Friday at 9 a.m. at Lone Pine Hall. For information call Doreen at 335-4514.

#### OLDS

#### MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540.

#### SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month. For time and place, contact Mel Terpstra 335-3527 for info.

### SUNDRE

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Wednesdays, 8 - 9 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church. Ron 638-2736.

#### ALA TEEN

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